

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
KDD AMERICA, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)
SOUTH DAKOTA)**

**ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC00-090

On June 9, 2000, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from KDD America, Inc. (KDD).

KDD proposes to offer 1+ interexchange telecommunications services on a resale basis, specifically MTS, in-WATS, and out-WATS services. A proposed tariff was filed by KDD. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On June 15, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 30, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its August 22, 2000, meeting, the Commission considered KDD's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that KDD not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that KDD has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. KDD has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission approves KDD's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that KDD not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that KDD's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to the condition that KDD not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that KDD shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 25th day of August, 2000.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner